

MOTION BY SUPERVISORS GLORIA MOLINA AND  
MICHAEL ANTONOVICH

January 26, 2010

Beginning January 18, 2010, a series of winter storms resulted in the loss of property, evacuations, and the closure of major transportation routes in the County of Los Angeles. Agencies and jurisdictions throughout the County have sustained damage and expended funds and resources in response to this disaster. Disaster sites remain unsafe, unusable, and have had a negative impact on businesses and individuals. Economic assistance is necessary for those businesses and individuals that may not be able to recover from this disaster. These conditions necessitate the proclamation of the existence of a local emergency within the Los Angeles County. This disaster will require an assessment of the impacted sites to ensure the safety of all recovery efforts, law enforcement, and other personnel as reentry and reconstruction occurs.

I, THEREFORE, MOVE that the Board:

- 1) Ratify the attached proclamation of a local emergency made on January 26, 2010, for Winter Storms 2010 in the County of Los Angeles, beginning on January 18, 2010. This proclamation shall remain in effect until its termination is proclaimed by the Board.

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Ridley-Thomas \_\_\_\_\_

Yaroslavsky \_\_\_\_\_

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- 2) Approve and instruct the Chair to sign, upon Board approval, the attached proclamation of a local emergency for the County of Los Angeles.
- 3) Forward a copy of the proclamation to the Governor of California with the request that he proclaim the existence of a State of Emergency throughout the County of Los Angeles.
- 4) Forward a copy of the proclamation to the Secretary of the California Emergency Management Agency (CalEMA) with the request that the Secretary find it acceptable in accordance with State law.
- 5) Instruct the Executive Officer of the Board to place on the Board's agenda a review every 30 days of the need to continue the emergency proclamation while emergency restorations actions are being taken.

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**PROCLAMATION OF EXISTENCE OF A LOCAL EMERGENCY BY THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WITH THE REQUEST FOR A STATE PROCLAMATION**

**WHEREAS**, Chapter 2.68 of the Los Angeles County Code empowers the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors (Board) to proclaim the existence of a local emergency when the County of Los Angeles (County) is affected or likely to be affected by a public calamity; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board finds that beginning on January 18, 2010, conditions of extreme peril to the safety of persons and property arose as a result of the severe rainstorm, winds, flooding, mud and/or debris flows in the County, which conditions are beyond the control of local resources; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board has determined that these conditions warrant and necessitate the proclamation of the existence of a local emergency within the County;

**NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED** by the Board that a local emergency exists throughout the County and shall be deemed to continue to exist until its termination is proclaimed by the Board; and

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that a copy of this proclamation be forwarded to the Governor of California with the request that he proclaim the existence of a State of Emergency throughout the County and further request the State to waive regulations that may hinder response and recovery efforts to make available recovery assistance under the California Disaster Assistance Act; and to expedite access to Federal resources, including the United States Army Corp of Engineers and any other appropriate Federal disaster relief programs.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that a copy of this proclamation be forwarded to the Secretary of the California Emergency Management Agency (CalEMA).

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Chair, Board of Supervisors**

**ATTEST:**  
**Sachi A. Hamai**  
**Executive Officer and**  
**Clerk of the Board of Supervisors**